Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Janet Thompson began her career in September of 1974 as a staff assistant for the South Dakota Department of Health's Community Health Nursing program after graduating from the National School of Business; and,

Whereas, In 1975, Janet was promoted to secretary working with the Crippled Children's Program where she worked until 1979, when she left to work on the family farm. In 1985, Janet returned to work with the state of South Dakota as a secretary for the Department of Health and also held positions with the Department of Education and the Office of School and Public Lands before joining the Department of Human Services in 2003; and,

Whereas, Janet greets and assists each person who enters the department, answers the department's main phone line and direct calls where needed, schedules conference rooms and reserves fleet vehicles for staff, handles mail for the Secretariat, and assists department staff with projects as needed; and,

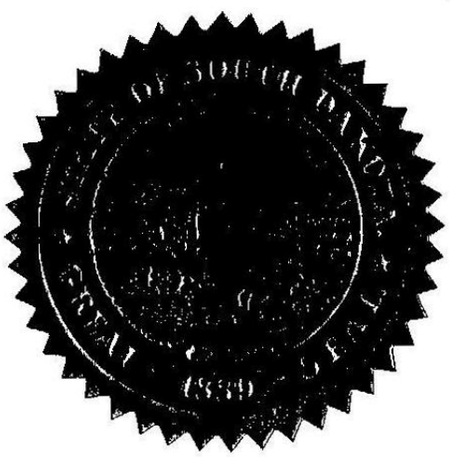
Whereas, Janet and her husband, Gerald, have made their home in Ft. Pierre, South Dakota, for 19 years actively participating in the Ballroom Swishers Dance Club and the Prairie Rattler's Antique Car Club. They plan to make their retirement home in Arizona among several family members; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper to honor this outstanding South Dakotan on the occasion of her retirement from the Department of Human Services on December 23, 2011:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 23, 2011, as

JANET THOMPSON DAY

in South Dakota, and I join her family, friends, and colleagues in offering best wishes for an enjoyable retirement.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason Gant

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State